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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: 14 January Tasking re Current Crises

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1. During the debrief on 14 January the Director asked that the following actions be taken:

- a. We need to ensure that we know, and can provide on short notice, everything possible with regard to the hostages. We need to sort out all our evidence as to whether any of the hostages have been moved; leaving no stone unturned. (Action: Iran Task Force in coordination with DDO)
- b. Get State paper on the follow-up on invasion of Czechoslovakia. (Action: NFAC, 16 January)
- c. Paper assessing (in connection with what arms we are considering providing)   
 This can be coordinated with a paper State is doing, if possible, to ensure our views are reflected. (Action: NFAC, due COB 16 January)
- d. Paper assessing the political impact in the region of the insertion of a US military presence in the form of (a) prepositioned equipment afloat, and (b) a deployed Marine Amphibious Unit (1500-1800 Marines in five ships). (Action: NFAC, due COB 16 January)
- e. Prepare a short, IISS-type rundown on the PDRY military capability, including Soviet and Cuban presence and support for use at 17 January SCC. (Action: D/OSR, due COB 16 January)
- f. The Director referred to a White House request for CIA's assessment of a list of possible contingencies (see attached). This assessment, first cut quick and dirty, is to be completed as quickly as possible. Work to continue to develop assessments more fully. (Action: NFAC, quick and dirty due to DCI COB 16 January)

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- g. In preparation for Thursday's SCC meeting on the region as a whole, the Director asked that the following questions be examined:

• [ ] legitimate military requirements



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(Action: NFAC, due COB 16 January)

- h. As an item of continuing concern the Director asked that any ideas regarding how we might better deal with the [ ] especially in light of their internal, [ ] situation, should be provided to him at any time. [ ]

2. Please advise PB/NSC when action completed. [ ]

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Attachment

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